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Mr. Harry F. Atherton, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors of Fauquier County  
Court and Office Building  
40 Culpeper Street  
Warrenton, Virginia 20186

Dear Mr. Atherton:

Thank you for your June 20 letter about the Board of Supervisor's study to examine the feasibility and desirability of establishing a Community Services Board for the County. In your letter, you request technical assistance from the Department for the County's study committee.

Paul Gilding, the Department's Director of Community Contracting, will be the staff person to work with your study committee as it explores the questions listed in your letter. He directs the office that negotiates performance contracts with all 40 Community Services Boards (CSBs). He also worked closely with the local governments that established the last four CSBs. Unfortunately, he will not be available until August 1, except for July 16 or 17, due to prior commitments and vacation plans. If your study committee needs some assistance from the Department before August 1, hopefully meeting or talking with Mr. Gilding on July 16 or 17 will be convenient.

The Commonwealth appreciates Fauquier County's obvious strong commitment to services for individuals with mental illnesses, mental retardation, and alcohol or other drug dependence or abuse disorders and your interest in improving those services. Again, thank you for your letter and your request for technical assistance. Hopefully, my staff will be able to assist your study committee as it examines these complex questions. I look forward to reviewing the results of your study.

Sincerely,

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